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Resettling Squatters

If, by going into committee regularly the Urban Council can speed up fulfilment of the squatter resettlement programme, it will be doing a great service to the community. Mr Ruttonjee and the supporters of his proposal which the Council adopted yesterday, clearly are convinced that the problem of resettlement is not being tackled with sufficient energy and that it needs something more than a small department and a select committee to achieve progress commensurate with the needs of the moment. The disclosure that the resettlement programme is behind schedule is disquieting. The whole squatter problem is one of great urgency calling for quick action. And if the resettlement programme is being impeded because of indefinite policies or lack of progressive and practical ideas it is right that something be done to correct the situation. One indication of how indecision and frustration are caused by the system under which squatter resettlement has to operate was given by Mr Bernacchi who complained that "even on policies the decisions involved being sometimes of wide sweeping effect I have found myself hampered in freely discussing them with other members of this Council by the system of the Standing Orders in respect to non-disclosure." Manifestly it is ridiculous to have a situation where one member of the Urban Council cannot discuss a subject with another member despite the fact it is of common interest. So long as the Urban Council is in any way responsible for squatter resettlement each and every member should be entitled to share actively in dealing with it. The main concern of everyone is the speed with which resettlement is accomplished, and the hope now is that with the whole of the Urban Council devoting its attention to the problem, it will be all the more readily resolved.

Seamen's Protest

BRITISH seamen who put into Russian and Polish ports complain that they are treated like criminals. The general secretary of the National Seamen's Union, Mr Tom Yates, has written to the Polish Ambassador in London protesting against the treatment of the crew of a British cargo ship which has put in to the Polish port of Gdynia six times in the last seven months. He says that every time the ship enters this port it is searched from stem to stern for contraband, the crew's personal effects are gone through, and even their correspondence is read. While this goes on they are herded into a single room, seamen are in fact living in this time of it, what with the McCarran Act and the more gross impertinences of the Communists. The Communists every now and then descent on the virtues of mutual trade and how much they wish to do to foster it, yet they go out of their way to make things impossible for seamen who have to carry on that trade.

Dulles' Important Statement On Blockade Of China

NO IMMEDIATE DECISION

Keeping The Reds Guessing

From HENRY LOWRIE

Washington, Feb. 10.

President Eisenhower has no immediate intention of blockading the Chinese mainland, bombing Manchuria or using the atomic bomb in Korea.

This clear-cut and definite announcement came today from Mr Foster Dulles.

President Eisenhower's plan, in the meantime, is to keep the enemy confused and guessing.

Mr Dulles, just back from his European tour, was questioned on the Administration's "new positive" policy by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

The Secretary of State, it was later revealed, explicitly stated that no decision had yet been taken to seal off the China mainland by the United Nations or an American blockade.

But Mr Dulles did not commit himself on future action. He simply emphasised that a blockade had not been the subject of a top-level decision. He also stressed the value of keeping the Russian and Chinese Communists in the dark and letting them guess the next moves in Korea and the Far East generally.

Meanwhile congressional spokesmen have hinted that President Eisenhower may be trusted by Congress to go ahead with whatever strategy he thinks justified.—London Express.

NOTHING DETERMINED

Washington, Feb. 11. The Eisenhower Administration appears to be succeeding in keeping not only the Communists but the United States Allies and its own people guessing about the next steps it will take in the Korean and European theatres of the anti-Communist struggle.

There is no authoritative information about the next moves in Korea or in Formosa, where President Eisenhower recently ended the "neutralisation" of the Chinese Nationalist Island.

Nothing appears to be either finally determined or finally ruled out.

The Secretary of State, Mr John Foster Dulles, was reported to have told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee yesterday that Mr Eisenhower's decision to "decentralise" Formosa did not specifically involve a move towards a naval blockade of the Chinese mainland, the bombing of Manchuria, the bombing of strategic targets in China itself or the use of the atomic bomb in Korea.

Mr Dulles was reported by the Chairman of the Committee, Senator Alexander Wiley, to have said no determination had been made "up to date" regarding the naval blockade of the Chinese mainland.

PROS AND CONS

There has been nationwide discussion here of the pros and cons of such a blockade as a means of forcing the Chinese Communists to want an armistice.

Britain Refuses To Sell Strategic Machinery To Red China

London, Feb. 10. The Board of Trade today revealed that Britain had rejected Chinese Communist attempts to purchase here machinery regarded as "strategic" by the United Nations as long as Chinese

written answers to a question in the House of Commons today. Inquiries at the Board of Trade revealed that only five of the items could be approved for export to Communist China.

The Board of Trade spokesman said these items were textile machinery and equipment, office machinery, some types of small refrigerators, basic coal mine lamps and sawing machine needles.



During the mass spinning held in Delhi, India, recently, in connection with the anniversary of the death of Mahatma Gandhi, Pandit Nehru, the Premier (left) and Dr Rajendra Prasad, the Indian President, were among those that took part.—London Express.

A Premier Spins

50 Arrested Following Bomb Outrage

Tel-Aviv, Feb. 10.

The Israeli police today arrested 50 members of the "Young Hebrew" organisation and the Anti-Communist League in connection with last night's bombing of the Soviet Legation, and were conducting a round-up of other anti-Communist extremists.

Arrests were made in Tel-Aviv, Haifa and Jerusalem as the Israeli government mobilised its police to track down the terrorists who slipped through a guard of five Israeli policemen outside the three-storey Legation building and flung a bomb through a window at 10 local time last night.

Three persons were injured in the explosion, including Madame Pavlov Yershov, wife of the Soviet Minister.

It was understood the Soviet Minister delivered a bitter protest to the Israeli government tonight, in which he held the Israeli government responsible because it had permitted "inflammatory" propaganda against the Soviet Union to circulate in Israel.

Delivery of the Soviet note could not be confirmed, although it was reported on good authority.

Meanwhile, the Israeli police, for the first time since the explosion, were permitted to enter the 25-room Legation late this afternoon to question Legation employees and look for fingerprints.

The Legation lifted its order against police entering the Legation premises, which are technically extraterritorial, after the Israeli government, in a note expressing its sorrow at the bombing, also pointed out that the Legation order hampered its investigation of the incident.

It was not believed in any quarter of the government that Russia would sever relations with Israel as a result of the incident.—United Press.

MARCHING BEGINS
Jerusalem, Feb. 10. Israeli Premier David Ben-Gurion told Parliament today that a nation-wide march is underway to find the terrorists who bombed the Soviet Legation in Tel-Aviv last night.

The search for the perpetrators of this "abominable outrage" is being pushed "with the utmost vigour," Ben-Gurion said.

"By their senseless crime," he added, "the perpetrators have profaned the honour of Israel and beamed the good name of the Jewish nation."

As the Premier faced irate Communists and Leftist Mapam MPs shouting for a full dress debate on the bombing in which four Soviet civilians were injured, Israeli police arrested several dozen suspects, mostly in Tel-Aviv and Jerusalem.

The police were ordered to stem any further anti-Soviet terrorism which were expected to crop up in protest against the recent Russian attacks on Jews.

In Jaffa, Tel-Aviv and Jerusalem, police raided the offices of the "Anti-Communist

Security Police Under Arrest

Vienna, Feb. 10.

Most of the senior members of the Hungarian security police are now under arrest, according to reliable reports received here from Budapest.

The arrest of Jewish officials and doctors is reported to have continued throughout Hungary during last weekend.—Routier.

STOP PRESS

TEST MATCH SENSATIONS

Melbourne, Feb. 11. Continuing their uphill fight, South Africa this morning took four more Australian wickets while yielding only 79 runs to bring the fifth and final Test to an interesting stage.

At the luncheon adjournment Australia, 89 for three overnight, were 108 for seven.

Hassett was first to go in this morning's play, mured by drizzle, caught by Endean off Mansell after he had brought his overnight score of 17 to 30, the score-board then reading 128.

A run later, Archer was caught by Walkins off Tayfield for a "duck".

Craig and Benaud made a stand of 23 before the 17-year-old batsman fell, a victim to Tayfield. Endean holding a chance after juggling the ball. Craig's contribution was 47.

And at the same total, 102, Ring was caught by Endean off Mansell for a "duck".

Benaud, joined by Langley, collared the bowling and was 24 not out when the teams adjourned. Langley has yet to score.

Australia is now 235 ahead with three more wickets to fall.

Tayfield has taken three wickets for 51, Mansell two for 26 and Walker a for 50.—Routier.

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New Piccard Diving Apparatus



This huge apparatus at the Naples Naval Dockyard, Italy, resembling a one-man submarine, is being prepared for Professor Piccard's forthcoming deep sea diving experiments in the Capri regions. (London Express Photo).

Stalin Begins Large Scale Purge To Stir Up Baltic Satellites

Stockholm, Feb. 10.

Stalin has now started a purge of incompetent politicians and officials in Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania, his north-west wall against Europe.

Strong Man Law For Three Years

Cairo, Feb. 10.
Premier Mohamed Naguib today announced that he and his 13-man "Council of Leadership to the Revolution" henceforth will exercise acts of sovereignty during the three-year transitional period proclaimed last January.

The transitional period was brought about by dissolution of all political parties, leaving Naguib, his all-military Council and Cabinet Ministers as sole executive and legislative authorities in the country.

The announcement was made in a "provisional charter" whose text was made public at a news conference by Fouad Galal, Minister of National Guidance.

Galal said the charter did not mean any change in Egypt's present Monarchic regime and that the functions of the Regent will continue unchanged.

He added that the charter had already entered into effect and that for "some time the Army Council and Cabinet have been meeting in Congress" as provided by the new provisional charter.

The charter sets forth equality for all Egyptians before the law and advocates individual freedom, freedom of expression and freedom of worship.—Associated Press.

Men and women failing politically or professionally are being put into prison for "bourgeois nationalism" or "sabotaging national production."

In Lithuania a number of officials in the Ministries of Agriculture, Finance and Defense have been sacked. The main trouble, according to the newspaper "Sovietkaya Litva" is that the authorities are not vigilant enough against "spies". For example, Edinovich, Director of the Lithuanian State bank, "for a long time allowed an American and an English spy in his organization."

"Bourgeois Nationalists" and "Sloznitsa", the newspaper added, have succeeded in getting hold of a number of posts in the Lithuanian meat and milk industries.

Inefficiency is the trouble in Latvia.

Riga radio and Latvian newspapers have announced a number of sentences for "production failures"—in both quality and quantity.

At the big "Popow" wireless works (named after the Russian who, Moscow claims, invented radio), the chief engineer, Aspilis, has been sentenced to eight years' imprisonment, the manager, Zaks, to seven years and the chief technical expert, Lutikov, to five years' imprisonment. Their offence was "turning out trash".

Aspilis owned the works when Latvia was independent and became its chief engineer after its nationalisation under the Soviet regime.

Russia's hierarchy

Higher up in the Communist hierarchy, Konstantin Novikov, a Latvian, and one of the country's six vice-Premiers, has been dismissed for an undisclosed offence. He has been replaced by a Russian. This means that four of Latvia's six vice-Premiers are now Russians.

In Estonia, two vice-Premiers, Alexander Ansberg and Heinrich Ajo, have been dismissed for undisclosed offences. Another Minister, Johannes Undusk, in charge of propaganda, has disappeared. Tallinn Radio has only announced the appointment of his successor, Ivan Helm.

Finally, Voldemar Telling, permanent secretary to the Government, has been removed and transferred to "another position". In all three countries new arrests of " saboteurs" and "enemies of the people" have been promised.

The real offence of the arrested, according to the

reports reaching here, are failing to make Communism work and failing to curb popular resentment at increasing Russian infiltration.

Wide-spread shortages are openly reported in the press of the three countries. Ranging from tractors to toothbrushes, these shortages have shown the Lithuanians, Latvians and Estonians that they are worse off under "aggressive" Communism than they were under "reactionary" capitalism when they were independent.

"THE OLD DAYS"

As the three countries were incorporated into the Soviet Union only 13 years ago, their inhabitants can still remember the old days and compare them with conditions under the present regime. The local governments must therefore either admit such scapgoats like "foreign agents" and "saboteurs" of national production" or admit that the Communist system will not work.

Russian infiltration is physical and psychological.

Physically, the Russians with their different "missions" and "delegations" occupy the best buildings and flats in the three countries.

They are also taking more

out of the three countries than

they are sending them. For

example, Tallinn radio has

made big claims for increased

shale oil gas production in the Kohila Jaevre district of Central Estonia. These claims were

substantiated this month when a pipeline from Kohila Jaevre to Tallinn was opened, giving housewives a cheap and plentiful gas supply.

What the radio did not tell the Estonians was that a year earlier another pipeline had laid from Kohila Jaevre to Leningrad supplying 2,000,000 of the Russian city's inhabitants with Estonian gas.

EXTERMINATED

The present purges were decided at Congresses held by the Communist parties in the three countries.

Ivan Moskalenko, Russian-born Minister of Security in Estonia, warned delegates during the congress of an impending purge: "Enemy agents and saboteurs," he said, had changed their tactics and were now working in high places. They would be ruthlessly exterminated.—Reuter.

STALIN WAS BADLY ADVISED

—Says Mr Truman

St. Louis, Feb. 10.
The Post Dispatch today quoted former President Truman as expressing the opinion that Russia's Premier Joseph Stalin, had been "taken in" by his own Politburo's unsound reasoning that a double cross in world affairs was in order.

The newspaper, in a copyrighted story from Kansas City, reported Mr. Truman as suggesting that the lack of demobilization of United States armed forces after World War II was one of the principal reasons for Russia's change of attitude from the Potsdam meeting.

At Potsdam, Mr. Truman said, "We thought we had accomplished something."

"Stalin, assured us that he would carry out the Yalta agreement but it developed later he was a captive of the Politburo."

In the interview with the Post Dispatch, Truman said it was hard for "American people to get the idea that we are a world power, but we are learning our lesson now."—Associated Press.

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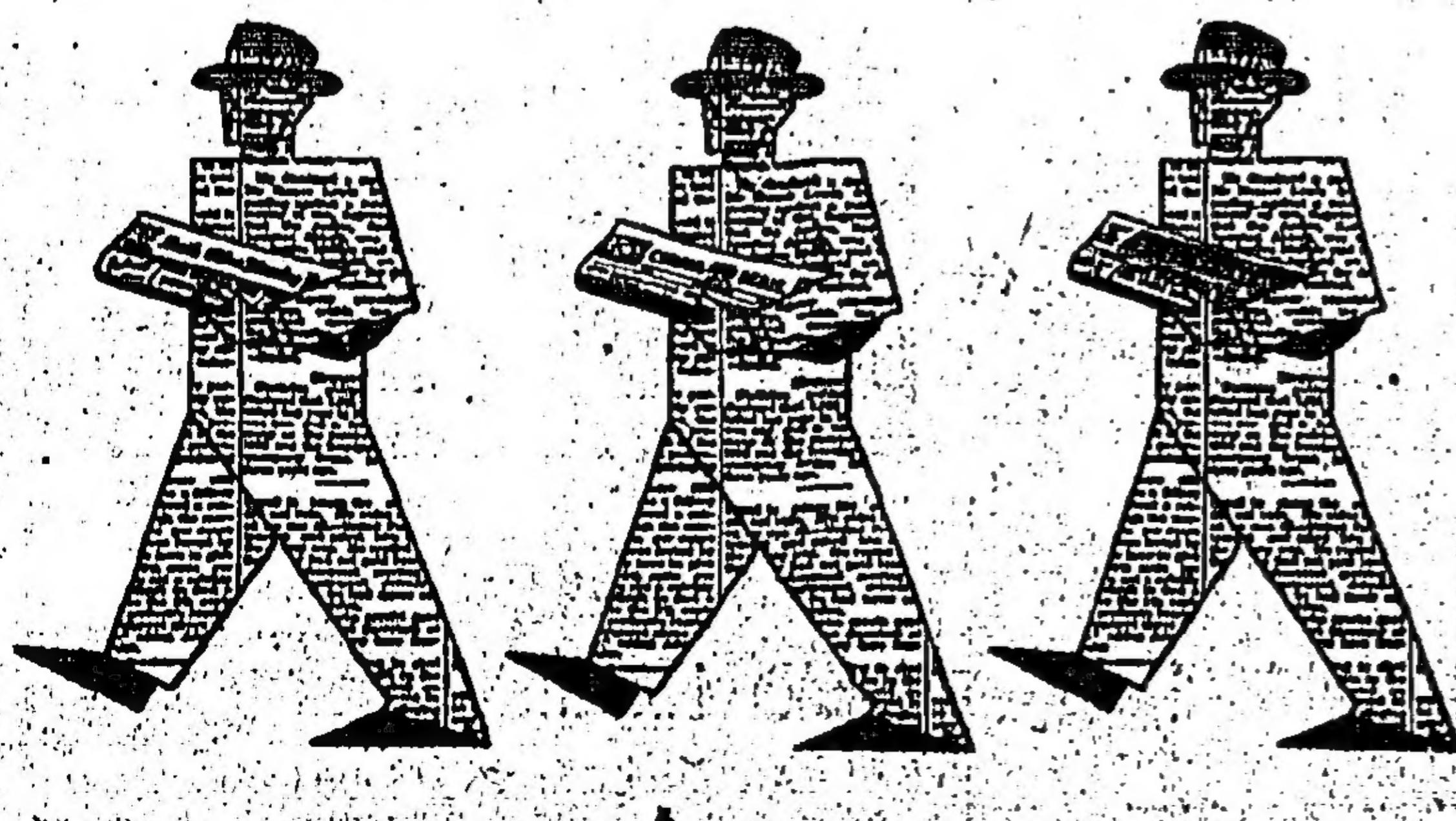
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THE MOMENT AMERICA ENVIES US

by R. M.
MacCOLL

IN the tough world of 1953 Americans don't envy Britain overmuch. But there is a massive exception to this.

Our Royal Family is regarded throughout the United States with an admiration and a fervently affectionate curiosity which, in its own way, matches the loyal warmth with which the British peoples across the world regard the Sovereign and her Family.

This is one of the more astounding paradoxes in the always fascinating mix-up of Anglo-American relations.

The United States is a nation born of Revolution. In her schools the children are often taught that a throne is synonymous with a tyranny.

It is only a quarter of a century ago that a Chicago politician was threatening to "oust King George in the snoot" should he venture into the State of Illinois. It turned out later that the politician had got his Georges confused and was under the impression that the third one was still around.

Yet if something like that happened today there would undoubtedly be a storm of disapproval from the Americans.

THREE REASONS A flag is inanimate

WHAT has produced this paradox? There are, I believe, three main reasons: (1) An American is brought up to pledge allegiance to his nation's flag, which represents the nation itself.

But while this is right and proper, Americans, with their passionate interest in personalities, their warm desire to know people (and if possible to like them), probably feel, now and then, a lack.

Thus (2), they turn with eagerness to this glamorous and charming Family of ours, which provides with its human qualities, its good looks and charm, combined with as many

of the sterner virtues, a continuing and very special kind

Osbert Lancaster pictures the Abbey scene

of steadfast reassurance in a little group of human beings in world largely given over to the Palace 3,000 miles away.

drift, disaster and dismay. The third reason, reinforcing the American interest in the Royal Family must remain an inanimate object.

And so the American turns rather hungrily to news of this her husband, was herself in the

United States not so long ago, although, to the general regret, she visited only Washington.

There she instantly succeeded in winning over the top correspondents of the nation's Pressmen who are notably quick to make shrewd assessments of a person's worth.

That visit was a serene triumph. In the American idiom

it was "a perfect job of public relations." Lynx-eyed reporter saw never a hint of any of the "snobiness" which was provided in such ample measure by certain of Britain's prewar Am-

bassadors to Washington.

Princess Elizabeth, as she then was, showed that she could understand, without loss of dignity, could be gay, and could enjoy herself with a deft charm which Americans found captivating.

Thus when, a few brief weeks later, George VI died and Elizabeth found herself so abruptly face to face with responsibility, Americans everywhere tended to identify themselves all the more with the Queen and her great new task.

'THEIR QUEEN'
So they're moving in

So what would, in any event, have produced a wave of interest and sympathy, was sharpened and heightened and personalised by the sense that here was someone that they really knew and liked. And they were, and are, all "pulling for her."

In the last few months before I left the United States it was rare for a week to go by without some feature or other on the Royal Family appearing in one of the multi-million circulation magazines.

Schoolgirls would discuss the Queen's hairdo or give Princess Margaret's latest ensemble an exhaustive scrutiny. And now the Coronation! Sometimes I got the impression that the whole of America intends to move over come next June, lock, stock, and hip-flask.

You can identify the personages in the scene by the key drawing below. (1) The archbishop holds aloft St. Edward's Crown, the Crown of England, above King Edward's Chair, with its Stone of Scone.



(2) The Queen and her attendants are shown in their formal attire.

(3) The Lord Chancellor and the non-
officiating bishops are shown.

(4) The archbishop is shown in the foreground.

(5) The pages are shown on the right.

(6) The officers of the Royal Household are shown on the far right.

(7) The King-at-Arms is shown.

(8) The canons of Westminster are shown on the far right.

On the left of the picture are the Lord Chancellor (3) and the non-officiating bishops (4). In the foreground (5) are the pages. On the right are the officers of the Royal Household (6), a King-at-Arms (7), and the canons of Westminster (8).

On the far right in semi-

New York, Tuesday, HOW does an ex-bookkeeper rise to be boss of the largest industrial empire in America?

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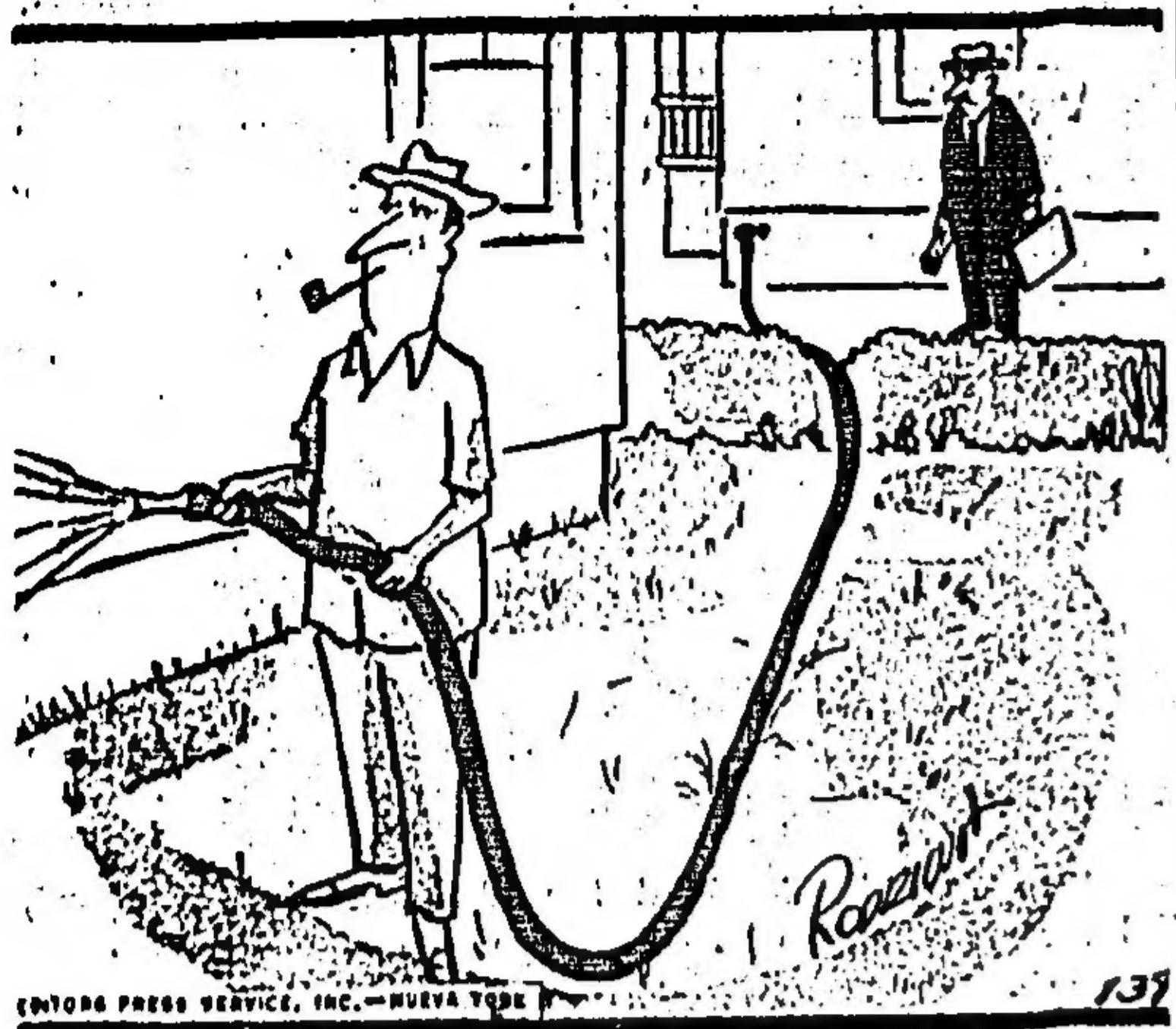
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By OSWALD JACOBY

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There are 10 points in each suit, and 40 points in the entire deck. You and your partner usually need 20 points to make a game; 33 points for a small slam; 37 for a grand slam.

A DRAMATIST was saying recently that stage directions are meant to help the actors, not to show the author's cleverness. My old Canning's "The River". Several soldiers cross the stage weary, as though returning from the Third Year.

"I'm not going to have to tell an actor during rehearsal," said the Sage of Wagging Park, "routed them all with a stern statement, 'not with a turn of the head.' Borned," he added, "Huddersfield is the only place where the major Aracaudonella has ever existed in the earlier Plasticine period."

A new ballet

THE Swedish ice-hockey ballet by Mycket Anstrangande, produced yesterday, reveals a new ballet technique. It was most amusing to see the skaters despite the honest when they tried to move their fellow skaters' understandings with his hockey stick. The pace was

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

BORN today, you have tremendous talents, but you must always keep in your loins, or you are apt to let opportunities for advancement slip by. Thus, you must be very wary of another, and sometimes opportunity doesn't come again. You have an inventive genius which, if turned toward something mechanical, could bring great success. However, it would be well for you to be a business manager, for you are apt to be too busy developing your ideas, so as to give much thought to commercializing of them.

You are ambitious yet there is another, also, who is very nervous and makes you dream big dreams—and then just hope they'll come true.

You are something of a cynic, too, and this is a characteristic which

could make you somewhat "crochety" as you grow older, unless you learn to look on the bright side, and a little more. This attitude may come in handy when you are disappointed in youth. But let by-gones be by-gones and look ahead, rather than backward, a little, you will find your great capacity for hard work. But if you are caught in a routine job, the chances are you will soon become dissatisfied with a very ordinary working job. If this does happen, get out on your own, for you will never be completely happy until you have found a job which gives you pleasure for others. You must however, be careful to be happy or to succeed.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12

AS AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—inflated upon optimism now if you want to defeat the rather adverse tendencies of this day.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)—Don't neglect important things that you should do today. If you are forgetful, make a list.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Start with the tough jobs and then

DUMB-BELLS



CROSSWORD

The bidding has been:

North	East	South	West
1 Heart	Pass		

1. You, South, hold: Spades K-Q-3-2, Hearts K-9-7, Diamonds K-8-2, Clubs K-J-5-4. What do you do?

—Bid one spade. You have enough points for a double raise, but cannot afford to do so with only three cards in partner's suit. The double raise always shows strong four-card trump support. Hence, you bid your own suit first and await development.

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding has been:

South	West	North	East
1 Heart	Pass	1 Spade	Pass

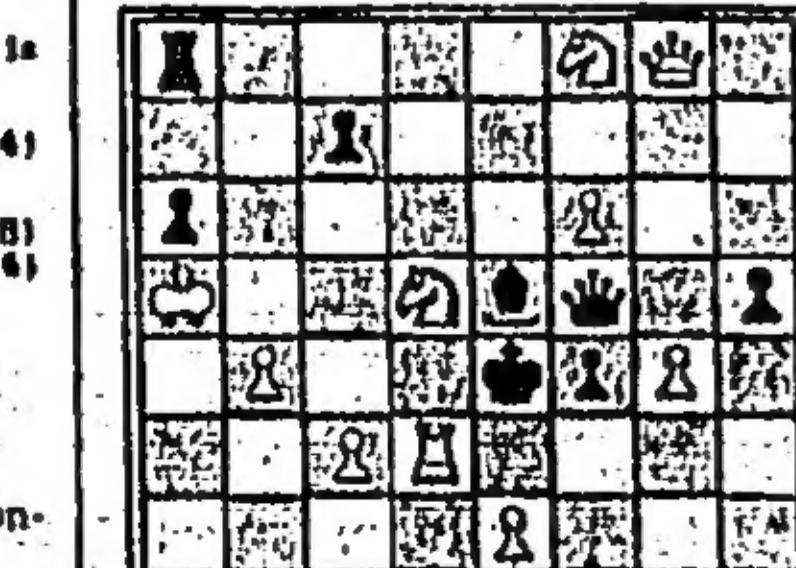
You, South, hold: Spades 4-2, Hearts A-J-10-8, Diamonds K-Q-7-2, Clubs K-8-4. What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

CHESS PROBLEM

By H. ROSENKILDE

Black, 8 pieces.



White, 10 pieces.
White to play; mate in three.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. Q—B4, any 2, Q, or Kt

mate.

(London Express Service)

(Solution on Page 10)

WOMANSENSE

Slim's the word

From ELSIE MARSHALL

New York.

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AN ALL-TIME RECORD ENTRY EXPECTED FOR THE SCHOOLBOYS' AND GIRLS' BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIPS

By "ARGONAUT"

With the exception of one event, the Men's "C" Doubles, all the other five titles of the 1952-1953 Badminton League season are now practically decided as the season draws to its close to give way to the different events of the Colony Championships.

In many respects the 1952-1953 League season has so far been an eventful one, the most striking feature being the keen interest and promising standard shown by a great number of new and young players.

This and the all-time record entry expected for the Colony Schoolboys' and Schoolgirls' Championships, which are scheduled to begin on February 23, are the most encouraging signs in years that the game will have a continuous supply of youthful high-class players to put Hongkong on the international map.

The Hongkong Badminton Association has made a good start by giving the Hongkong Schools Sports Association its wholehearted support and co-operation in the running of the Schoolboys' and Schoolgirls' Championships, but still more could be done in organising a panel of coaches for the different schools.

Even more could be achieved in raising the standard of interest in the game if the Association could through their panel of coaches pick the most promising 30 or 40 players in the Schoolboys' and Schoolgirls' Championships and give them the benefit of special coaching once or twice a week.

A GREAT SUCCESS

The introduction of singles matches into the Men's "B" and "C" Divisions has again met with great success. The wider scope of the singles game has not only resulted in the quicker development of stroke-play but also in a better appreciation of tactical play and the improvement shown by a number of players has been most marked. At least five school-

age youngsters — Johnny Ramon Young and W. F. Foo Pomeroy, U Sel-lop, Ko Wal-bong, Bobby Carter and Marquez-Lim — are well in the Colony's junior class this year.

In the League matches there has been some extremely close competition. Although the Chinese YMCA, by virtue of the Chinese vast superiority in the ladies' department, have come out clear winners in the Senior Mixed Doubles, their superiority in the Men's "A" Division was strongly challenged by all the other three competing clubs, Cralgengower, Recreco and Hongkong University.

The defeat sustained by University at the hands of Recreco a couple of days back, which was incidentally the first since a long way back, showed how far the Recreco players have advanced.

In Francis Rozario and Tony Souza they have two potential top notchers.

Cralgengower's return of the former Shanghai Triple Champion Bill Funk and the improved form of their two young players, Jimmy Kho and Wong Kai-cheng,

Funk is as yet the only unbeaten player in the Men's "A" League, and the return clash between Cralgengower and Chinese YMCA which is scheduled to be played tomorrow at the YMCA court is awaited with much eagerness by a great number of badminton enthusiasts.

The return matches between Funk and Colony Champion

Fernie Steeplechase

Produces Some Unusual Spectacles

Leicester, Feb. 10.

The judge declared void the two-mile Fernie steeplechase here today after it had produced one of the most unusual spectacles for many years.

Royal Mond and Master Ruan, two of only three runners contesting the event, fell at the first fence, whilst the other horse, Lovat, pitched his jockey over the third obstacle, the water jump.

Jockey George Mann made repeated attempts to get Lovat to clear the jump but he continually refused and was ridden back to the paddock.

Meanwhile the favourite, Master Ruan, who was running

loose, was caught by his trainer, George Archibald, and ridden down to the first jump, where Jockey Alec Freeman was waiting.

Master Ruan raised a loud cheer from the crowd when he cleared the first fence safely and went on.

All was well until Master Ruan arrived at the water jump where Lovat had refused. He also refused but was finally persuaded to clear it at the fifth attempt.

At the next obstacle, an open ditch, Master Ruan had refused six times when the judge left his box declaring the race void. —Reuter.

ICIRC To Play Chinese Referees

A friendly nine-a-side football game will take place on Sunday morning, Feb. 15, at 10 a.m. on the Sookunipoo ground between ICI Recreation Club and the Chinese Referees Association. The following will play for the ICI team:

F. Kuo (Capt.), S. B. Lai, S. K. Wong, Y. Z. Wang, Y. T. Loke, C. F. Ng, S. Y. Fang, R. Chen, F. Chuk, S. Pang, M. Leung, W. C. Yung.

Snooker Results

Eastern "A" beat Kowloon Cricket Club "Red" by 4-1, in the George Younger Colony Snooker League last night. Lusitano "White" beat Lusitano "Blue" 5-0, and RAF Sergeants Mess beat Cosmo Club 4-1.

TUESDAY

(At Chinese Recreation Club) 3.15 p.m., Mrs Joy Mottram v. Mrs Mary Chow. 4.00 p.m., Tony Mottram v. Ip Koon-hung.

4.45 p.m., Tony Mottram and Taul Wal-pui v. Vieira and Ip Koon-hung.

5.30 p.m., Mrs Joy Mottram and Vieira v. Tony Mottram and Mr and Mrs Ip Koon-hung.

5.30 p.m., Mrs Joy Mottram and Taul Wal-pui v. Tony Mottram and Mrs E. Littton and Vieira or Ip Koon-hung.

Austrian Soccer Team Arrives

The Linzer Athletik Sport Klub soccer team from Austria returned to the Colony from Manila via PAL plane this morning for a series of games to be played here during the Chinese New Year holidays.

NEWCASTLE V. ROTHERHAM



Quarney, the Rotherham goalkeeper, rushes back to his goal following the clearance of a corner kick in the match at St James Park which Rotherham won 3-1.

GEORGE WHITING'S COLUMN

England's Track Women Bring Off A Coup With A Coo

Treading warily along the catwalk, I have to report a major surprise in what I have always thought to be the Amazonian world of feminine athleticism — they've dropped the lady pilot.

White-haired Mrs Winifred Hughes, Honorary Secretary for the last 11 years of the Women's Amateur Athletic Association, has been ushered out of office on a surprise paper ballot at the Association's Annual General Meeting.

It was Mrs Hughes who, in the summer of 1950, was obliged by virtue of her office to play a prominent role in the rumpus over Sylvia Cheeseman and Doris Batter — charged and cleared on allegations of being "not amenable to discipline" on the Empire Games voyage to New Zealand.

From now on, the WAAA secretarial duties will be carried out by Mrs Mary Amies, six times winner of the Enfield AC sprint, Southern Counties Secretary, Olympic Women's Team Manager in Helsinki, and in Canada and the European championships in Switzerland high on the administrative roll for 1954.

If the hopes of the WAAA are realised, Mrs Amies will also one day be organising an enthusiastic welcome to Princess

con with a coo. They'll be talking about it for months in the powder rooms.

As the new Secretary, Mrs Amies becomes the No. 1 organiser in British women's athletics both at home and abroad — with the Empire Games in Canada and the European championships in Switzerland high on the administrative roll for 1954.

"It should also be remembered that Nichols was a fast bowler, still quite swift at 39. Most of the other great all-rounders bowled more leisurely, and would expect to remain longer in first-class cricket."

"And if any Yorkshirite should be peering over your shoulder, ask if he remembers the visit of Nichols to Huddersfield in 1938!"

Reminder to all peers: Yorkshire scored 31 (their lowest for 24 years) and 99. For Essex (334) Nichols got 140, and had a match analysis of 11 for 64.

POWDER ROOM TALK

As a more male listener to some of the ladies who attended the meeting, I can only describe the election result as a

Close Finish To Chess Club Championship

There has been a very close finish for the Kowloon Chess Club Championship with the title still undecided. The top six players in the tournament finished within a point of one another and Johnny Carvalho and Karel Weiss are to play three games to decide the winner.

The first of these games is to be played on Thursday. Final scores in the tournament were Johnny Carvalho and Karel Weiss, 6½ points each; Ray Danenbergs (last year's club champion) and S. B. Kho, 6 points each; G. S. Coxhead (Colony champion) and A. E. Barton, 5½ points each; Peter Wen, 4½ points; H. G. Hyndman, 2½ points; F. C. Gamble, 2 points; and August Bledis, 0 point.

Whenupon sundry Yorkshiremen leaped in with facts and figures concerning the 11 consecutive "doubles" achieved by George Hirsch.

Now the Essex battalions hit back: Mr S. A. Hands (Leigh-on-Sea) writes: "In each of the

and knows nothing of gamineerie — let alone the saga of Valentine."

It would be a piece of casting as effective as it is infelicitous: and I congratulate Robert Clark, the boss of Elstree Studios, on his imagination in putting the idea forward for Chevalier's first British picture.

It remains for Chevalier to take the plunge: there is a rival offer for a screen musical — and he is uncertain whether, for all his 64 years, the public would respond kindly to a songless Maurice.

I think Hanau may win: the Great Lover of yester-year is fascinated by the notion of becoming a great detective.

Another offer also revolutionary reached film last week: to star at that concentration of all the cultural arts, Edinburgh's 1953 Festival. For their purposes the organisers regard Valentine — not M. Hanau — as Art.

WRONG NUMBER

The one Stewart Granger story I have not read: Directly I reached London, I wanted to telephone Jean's mother, Mrs Simmons. Then found Jean had given me the wrong number: she had forgotten her mother had moved, though she helped to choose the new house — which is rather typical of my dear wife.

"So I had to cable Jean in Hollywood to name to the new address, and cable Mrs Simmons in London, asking her to telephone me at my hotel. It was the only quick way of making contact."

Is this a record in costly son-in-law devotion?

— (London Express Service)

★ ★ A SEAT IN THE STALLS ★ ★

"LAZY" USTINOV CONFOUNDS THE CRITICS

By PETER CHAMBERS

London.

Three hundred thousand dollars' worth of advance bookings in the first fortnight — that is the measure of the Broadway success of Peter Ustinov's "Love of Four Colonels..."

"Wise, witty, downright brilliant.... such taste and intelligence, a flamboyant joke.... a Shavian gift of satire...." Such is the chorus of critical praise which has greeted "Love of Four Colonels" on Broadway.

Ustinov is gratified and slightly amazed. He never liked critics much. He is puzzled by their facile misjudgment of public taste.

When "The Love of Four Colonels" opened at Wyndham's Theatre on May 23, 1951, three London critics saucily described the play as "a gallant failure." A week later, a distinguished critic told Ustinov: "Of course, it'll run for a bit — you picked an erotic title."

That was twenty months ago. And "The Love of Four Colonels" is still playing to packed houses. Ustinov is still romping, like a delirious harlequin, through half-a-dozen extravagant roles in his own extravagant play.

Ustinov triumphs. The critics are confounded. The inspired fat boy of the post-war theatre — at 31 he has written ten plays and directed films — is now a dramatist of international repute.

Variously described during the past decade as "brilliant, slovenly, youthful, exasperating, diffuse and promising," Peter Ustinov was born into the third generation of family of Russian exiles in London. He is a Russian Briton with a fair admixture of French, Jew and Middleeuropian. "It is important," insisted Ustinov in a recent BBC talk, "to be a mongrel."

"Ah, the critics always say that. They said the same about your Scrooge, James Brindley. Standpunktlosigkeit, that is what a German critic accused me of."

All in one word, he said that Ustinov had no point of view. Ustinov answers no questions.

"The intelligent modern young man can only have doubt. Faiths change, but doubt goes on for ever. Doubt is the only thing that binds us all together."

Ustinov speaks quietly, without the actor's customary histrionics. But he is a brilliant mimic, and a slight tension in his manner gives you the feeling that he is going to bust up at any minute and do a cabaret turn. (Later, that's just what he did.)

LOOKS LAZY

At 10, when he left Westminster School, the fresh-faced and precocious Ustinov was already translating the plays of Maxim Gorki. He has gone on writing, with unrelenting energy, ever since. Ustinov looks lazy. He says he is lazy. But his output is prodigious.

Six nights a week he is on the stage at Wyndham's Theatre, playing five different roles every night. He part-scripts, his radio shows, acts in cabaret, lectures to Royal Societies, writes for newspapers. You will see him shortly as Nero in M.G.M.'s "Quo Vadis." His microbes squeeze that in, somewhere, too.

After the theatre, Ustinov drinks a couple of bottles of beer, eats sometimes, and then drives furiously home to Chelsea. In his eighteenth century house by the river (interior decoration: grey-green, antique) he is next door neighbour to film director Carol Reed.

EXUBERANCE

Ustinov's tenth play, "Death For Beginners," is finished and will be produced in London shortly. Meanwhile he is trimming the 100,000-word novel which he has been over-writing, with characteristic exuberance, during the past couple of years.

"People say 'do too much,'" said Ustinov. "He waved an indifferent arm. "It is an impudence. Who, at the time of the Renaissance, would have told Leonardo he was doing too much because as well as painting pictures he also jumped off houses to find out if he could fly? They say I am making a fortune out of the theatre. In fact, I never know how much money I have really got."

Ustinov pays so much less he would be just as well off if he idled in the South of France for six months every year. Why doesn't he do it? "Because I should be succumbing to the tax inspector to destroy me."

Ustinov's pet dislikes are:

1. The Lord Chamberlain's censorship. "The people are their own best censors."

2. All manner of quiz programmes and brain trusts. ("The public's mind is stuffed with useless, superficial knowledge. Who cares what the birth rate is in Arkansas?")

3. Bad Journalists.

"Five minutes," Ustinov cried the call boy. Ustinov composed his elastic features for the make-up stick. It was a good night for Britain's brightest young dramatist. Sixteen European productions of "The Love of Four Colonels" — and now a hit on Broadway.

The dollars come rolling in, and also the dinars. Yes, the "Four Colonels" was produced in Yugoslavia recently. Ustinov has just received the royalties cheque — for £3,3.6d.

Now he wants to know how many dinars make a pound, for goodness sake.





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S. "AUTOLYCUS"	16th Mar.
G. "LAOMEDON"	24th Feb.
S. "ANCHISES"	3rd Mar.
G. Loading Glasgow, before Liverpool. S. Loading Swansea, before Liverpool.	Carreras option to proceed via other ports to load & discharge cargo.

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"AJAX"	
"BENARES"	Direct discharge Kingston.
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HK/Bangkok/Singapore	(DC-4) 1200 a.m. Mon, Thurs, 1200 a.m. Tues, Fri (Connect)	1200 a.m. Tues, Fri to Bangkok with U.B.A. to Bangkok
HK/Hanoi	(DC-3) 645 a.m. Tues.	4:45 p.m. Tues.
HK/Hsipahong	(DC-3) 645 a.m. Thurs.	4:45 p.m. Thurs.
HK/Saigon/Singapore	(DC-4) 1045 a.m. Tues.	4:45 p.m. Tues.
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FROM	DUE
Japan	In Port 18th Feb.
U.K. via Singapore	on or abt. 22nd Feb.
Japan	5th Mar.
U.K. via Singapore	9th Mar.
U.K.	17th Mar.
Japan	23rd Mar.

SAILINGS

Loading on or abt.
Buoy A2

23rd. Feb.

23rd. Feb.

8th Mar.

13th Mar.

21st Mar.

25th Mar.

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Notice to Shareholders

ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING

NOTICE is hereby given that the Fifty-First Ordinary

Yearly Meeting of the Members of the Company will

be held at the Office of

Messrs. Jardine, Matheson &

Co. Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong

Kong, on Friday, 6th March,

1953, at Noon for the

following purposes:

1. To receive and consider

the Report of the Directors

and the Statement of

Accounts for the year

ended 31st December, 1952,

and the Auditors' Report

thereon.

2. To sanction a Dividend in

respect of the year 1952.

3. To elect Directors.

4. To appoint Auditors.

CLOSING OF TRANSFER BOOKS

If not prepaid a booking fee

of 50 cents is charged.

NOTICE

NOTICE is also given that the

Transfer Books and Register

of Members of the Company

will be closed from 21st

February, 1953 to 6th March,

1953, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board

of Directors,

G. B. S. THOMSON,

Secretary

Hongkong, 11th Feb., 1953.

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MESSAGERIES MARITIMES



	Arriving	Leaving	Outward For
"LA MARSEILLAISE"	Feb. 24	Feb. 25	Yokohama & Kobe
"MEINAM"	Mar. 18	Mar. 19	Japan
			Homeward For
"BREST"	In Port Feb. 11		N. Africa & Europe
"FRY HILL"	Mar. 7	Mar. 7	N. Africa & Europe
"LA MARSEILLAISE"	Mar. 7	Mar. 8	Marseilles via Manila
"COUSSEULLES"	Apr. 8	Apr. 8	N. Africa & Europe
"MEINAM"	Apr. 13	Apr. 13	N. Africa & Europe

- For passenger and freight.
- † For freight to Soigon, Marseilles, Algiers, Tangier, Casablanca, Havre, Dunkirk, Antwerp & Rotterdam.
- Accepting cargo:
- via Marseilles to all Mediterranean & West Africa Ports.
- via Djibouti to Madagascar.

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"NO NEVERETT"

Arrives Feb. 21 from Singapore.
Sails Feb. 22 for Kobe & Yokohama

"REBEVERETT"

Arrives Feb. 28 from Manila.
Sails Mar. 1 for Singapore, Penang, Rangoon & Calcutta,(Accepting cargo for transhipment)
Kobe/Pusan and Kobe/Okinawa)

EVERETT STAR LINE

Fast regular freight—refrigerator—passenger service to Korea, Japan, Philippines, Indo-China, Siam, Malaya, Colombo, Bombay, Karachi and Persian Gulf Ports.

"STAR ALCYONE"

Arrives Feb. 19 from Japan.
Sails Feb. 20 for Singapore, Port Swettenham, Madras, Colombo, Bombay, Karachi, Kharanshah, Basrah & Bahrain.

"NORDSTJERNAN"

Arrives Mar. 4 from Japan.
Sails Mar. 5 for Singapore, Port Swettenham, Madras, Colombo, Bombay, Karachi, Kharanshah, Basrah & Bahrain.(Accepting cargo for transhipment)
Kobe/Pusan and Kobe/Okinawa)EVERETT STEAMSHIP CORPORATION S/A
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Chinese Department: Telephone 28293.

Japan Planning Big Trade Drive In Middle East

Tokyo, Feb. 10.
Japan plans a new trade drive into traditional British markets in the Middle East. An 11-man delegation is due to leave Tokyo this week on a two-month tour of Egypt, Syria, the Lebanon, Iraq and Persia.

Its members include representatives of some of Japan's greatest industrial combines. They will offer cheap textiles—at a third of the British prices; bicycles and sewing machines—not such a good bargain; a wide range of excellent electrical equipment and industrial machinery—mostly cheaper than comparable British products. And every type of ship from tugs to ocean liners.

The ships are expensive. Owners who buy in Japan pay nearly twice as much as they would in Britain. But delivery is promised in nine months, not three years.

The Japanese would like to sell "timbers" to Moesdale. News that the aged oil dictator may buy his own tankers in Italy has caused considerable interest in Tokyo.

"We will naturally discuss the matter while we are in Teheran," a member of the mission said.

Many orders must be held up, however, until after the conclusion of the present Anglo-Japanese trade talks in Tokyo. The talks have been temporarily suspended while facts and figures are referred back to London.

The Japanese are pressing for a considerable trade increase with the Sterling Area, particularly in the Middle East—deuter.

East German Bid For Trade With Egypt

Cairo, Feb. 10.
An East German trade delegation arrived in Egypt today just as Egyptians were sitting in at a series of conferences with a West German delegation.

At a press conference later in the day, the Egyptian Minister of National Guidance, Gouda Galal, said the East German delegation "has come by itself to investigate the possibility of establishing trade relations with Egypt."

Asked whether the delegation had come uninvited, he replied: "I mean exactly what I have just said."

He added: Egypt was "ready to listen to what the East Germans have to propose."

Cairo and Bonn last year signed a trade agreement providing for exchange of US\$100,000,000 worth of goods on a barter basis.

Egyptian officials have repeatedly stated they were ready to sell Egyptian cotton "to whoever wants to buy it."

Egypt and other Arab states have threatened to sever trade relations with Bonn if West Germany pays reparations to Israel. Recent reports said East Germany had made a bid toward replacing West Germany if a break in trade with Bonn became effective.—Asia-Soated Press.

Chicago Grain Futures

Chicago, Feb. 10.
Chicago grain advanced strongly in the late rise attributed to the increased short covering and buying of wheat credited to export dealers. Wheat closed 1 1/2 to 3 higher and soybeans were 2 1/2 to 3 1/2 higher in sympathy with grains as traders noted less selling pressure. Prices closed today as follows:

Wheat	price per bushel
Spot	2.21 nominal
March	2.22
May	2.24 1/2
July	2.25 1/2
September	2.26
December	2.26 1/2

Corn

Spot	1.53 nominal
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March	1.53 1/2
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May	1.53 1/2
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September	1.53 1/2
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December	1.56 1/2
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Rye

March	1.70 nominal
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May	1.74 1/2
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Oats

March	74 1/2
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May	74 1/2
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New York	Four per 200 lb. Sack
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12.85 nominal

—United Press.

Business transacted on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning totalled \$274,138 in value. Noon quotations and the morning dealings were:

DAMPS BUYERS SELLERS SALES

HONGKONG BANK ... 1615 03 6 1420 20 6 1420

East Asia ... 145

INSURANCES ... 250 260

Canton ... 703

Union ... 520

Underwriters ... 150

SHIPPING ... 150

A.S. NAV. ... 1.00

DOCKS, ETC. ... 6.00

Dock ... 20

Provident (N) ... 11

Shai Dock ... 2

Woolf ... 7.00 7.50 800 6 7.05

LAWYERS, ETC. ... 7.05 7.75

H.K. Hotel ... 7.65 7.75

H.K. Land (O) ... 85 85 100 6 85 15

H.K. Land (S) ... 1.60 1.60

Humphreys ... 13.80

UTILITIES ... 20

Trans ... 22.10 1000 6 22.10

Star Fortune ... 113 116

C. Light (O) ... 1000 6 9.20

C. Light (N) ... 23.15 23.70 200 6 23.15

Electric ... 23.15 23.70 200 6 23.15

Telephone ... 10.40 10.00 130 6 17.15

INDUSTRIALS ... 17.60 17.80

Cement ... 20

STOLES, ETC. ... 10.00 500 6 19

COTTONS ... 23.15 23.70 1222 6 23.15

WOOLLEN ... 45 45 2.55

Yantze ... 5.80

Hongkew ... 1.40 1.60 2000 6 15

—United Press.

From Our Correspondent

New York, Feb. 10.
World sugar futures closed today one to 6 points higher with sales totalling 64 contracts.

Contract No. 8 closed today unchanged to 1 point higher with sales totalling 71 contracts.

Prices closed today as follows:

Contract No. 4 (world) ... 3.00-3.03

May ... 3.58

July ... 3.61 nominal

September ... 3.63 nominal

January ... 3.65 nominal

March ... 3.62 nominal

May ... 3.58

July ... 3.61 nominal

September ... 3.63 nominal

November ... 3.65 nominal

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CASEBOOK

The Pipe Smoker

IT was, perhaps, the lady novelists who noticed it first, and pointed out the many, simple but splendid virtues possessed by men who smoke pipes.

Pipe smokers in books by lady novelists have rugged good looks and courage beneath their pied dispositions and their homespun tweeds, enormous strength and bravery. For nearly all won England rugby football caps at one time or another, and most played in the middle of the front row of the scrum, until, perhaps, chain-pipe-smoking took away their wind.

Kind to children and old ladies, pipe smokers are kind to animals, and especially kind to beautiful, helpless girls who have got themselves into some sort of jam.

All these are virtues, but the best is still to come. It is the impossibly unruffled calm a pipe smoker may be counted upon to display when confronted with calamity—any kind of calamity, from a premature call of "Time, gentlemen," to being tied to the rails before an oncoming express, his pipe gone out, and no hand free to get at his matches.

THIS kind of calm, the little man in the dock at the Thames court displayed at a moment of crisis when his pipe was being very thoroughly examined by the magistrate, Mr Harold Sturge.

The pipe was about a foot long and looked as though it might have been home-made after one attendance at an evening class in pipe-making. The bowl was the size of a coffee cup and most of it looked to be made of wood, though it had a rim of a kind of patterned, rather pretty, porcelain. And there were two brass cup affairs that went with the pipe, spare bowls made from brass door knobs.

It was an opium pipe, and the little man in the dock, who so stoically endured its inspection, was a Chinese whose name sounded like Ah-Mee.

A POLICE INSPECTOR told the court how, acting on information received from a source he did not disclose, he had gone to the East End flat where Ah-Mee lived with his English wife, and carried out a search. Ah-Mee, a man of 32, once a seaman in Britain's Merchant Navy, was pensionably wounded, and made prisoner during the war, was not in the flat. He was working in his £10 a week job as cook in a Chinese restaurant.

At Ah-Mee's home the inspector found the pipe hidden in a cupboard, some prepared opium capsules in a shoe, six ounces of raw opium in a clock. He went to the restaurant where Ah-Mee worked, and arrested him. "He smoke for my pain," Ah-Mee said, and added with simple gallantry "With no smoke."

NOW, through a studious-looking interpreter, Ah-Mee pleaded guilty to all the charges against him. "He says," said the interpreter, "he is sick man and addict, and every now and then he gets attack, inside him. He says he place whole matter in magistrate's hands."

The matter was already there. "Tell him," said Mr Sturge, "that in my view it will be necessary for him to go for a substantial term of imprisonment."

"Before I decide how long, I am remanding him for a medical report which will guide me as to the length of time necessary to part him from this drug so that he will never touch it again. That may not be possible, but in any case it will be necessary for him to suffer a sentence, owing to the gravity of the charge."

THE translator put it into Ah-Mee's language. Ah-Mee gravely nodded, and made a short reply. "He says," said the interpreter to the magistrate, "he says he quite agrees."

It was the kind of stolid answer that might have been expected from a pipe smoker. With impossibly unruffled calm, Ah-Mee went off to the cells.

15-Ft Man Eating Shark Caught



Van Fleet Hands Over His Command

Seoul, Feb. 11.

General James A. Van Fleet, Commander-in-Chief of the Eighth Army in Korea for nearly 23 months, turned over his command to Lt.-Gen. Maxwell Taylor in simple ceremony at an airport near Seoul today.

The 60-year-old general left the airport in a shiny Constellation for Tokyo and the first leg of his journey to the United States and retirement without achieving the final victory in Korea that he believed in.

Thousands of Koreans lined the streets of Seoul as he drove to the airport after paying his final visit to President Syngman Rhee.

Earlier, he had taken his final salute in his Eighth Army compound from a chromium helmeted honour guard and paid a final visit to Lt.-Gen. Glenn O Barcus at his Fifth Air Force Headquarters.

Thousands of persons, military and civilian, lined the field near Seoul to see Gen. Van Fleet step aboard the plane and end his military career in Korea.

United Press Staff correspondent Al Kauff said, "Colonels cried openly and the general himself was close to tears."

Kauf said the change in command took place at the Eighth Army Headquarters at midnight, but that Gen. Taylor actually took over when Gen. Van Fleet's plane left the ground for Tokyo.

FINAL MESSAGE

At the Eighth Army headquarters before his motorcade drove slowly through the wet streets, brightened by the flash of American and Korean flags, Gen. Van Fleet told his troops:

"I want to say there is no greater honour for an army man to be saluted by the flags of the United Nations, the United States and the Republic of Korea in the presence of these fighting men of the Eighth Army, the honour guard, this great band of friends and Gen. Taylor. Thank you, I'll be thinking of you always."

Gen. Van Fleet then walked across the street to the Fifth Air Force headquarters where he was honoured by the Fifth Air Force band which played the artillery song.

Gen. Van Fleet shook hands with Gen. Barcus and staff members and then returned to the Eighth Army compound where he posed with General Taylor for hundreds of officers and enlisted men who surrounded them with their cameras.

The four-star general wore his famous livery handled pistol with his olive drab uniform but had changed his usual cotton field hat for an officer's peaked cap.

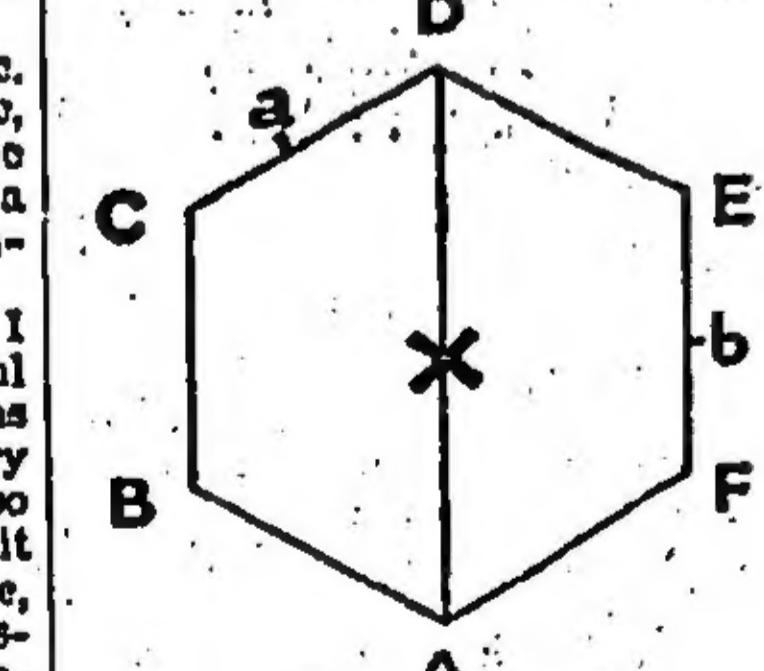
Gen. Van Fleet last wore his peaked cap when he received a surprise visit from his son on his 60th birthday. His son, a B-57 pilot, was reported missing in action a few weeks later.

United Press.

Total as at 4 p.m. yesterday: Sterling £40.15. Od., US\$40.00 and HK\$10,240.
Mr & Mrs D. B. Sinclair 100
Mr M. W. Turner 250
Messrs Gilman & Co., Ltd. 2,000
Mr B. G. W. Weldon 25
Mr & Mrs W. N. N. Andrews 25
Mr George Pollock 100
Mr & Mrs J. K. Wilson 25
Margaret H. Brown 20
Mr James B. Baxter 50
"M.W.R." 10
Mr & Mrs R. Johanness 1,000
Mr & Mrs Wallace Harper 250
Mr & Mrs A. K. Murray 150
C. W. & D. L. Haynes 30
Mr F. J. Knightly 100
Mr & Mrs Wm. Pater 200
"Diana", "Babsie" & "Bootsie" 250
Mr & Mrs R. W. H. Maynard 50
Mr K. Yipp 20
The Staff, Ying Wa Girls School 100
"East Coast Visitor" 50
Patricia Penn 50
Donald & Rosemary Brookes 23
Total at 11 a.m. today HK\$15,120

INTELLIGENCE TEST SOLUTION

Here is a diagram of the hexagonal track.



With this in front of one, it should be difficult to solve this problem mentally.

Each side of the hexagon is one mile. Each side of the hexagon is one mile. Therefore does five miles at x miles per hour, and five miles at x miles per hour, while a speed of, say, y miles per hour.

It follows that x is 1/4 of a mile and covered 5/4 of the circuit.

Distance travelled by the cyclist is 1/4 of a mile from point A to point B. Now W doubles his speed, making it 2 times. P.S. and hence he covers 1/2 of a mile in 1/2 of a mile, which is 1/2 of a mile beyond F.

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Counsels' Final Submissions In Claim For Alleged Breach Of Contract

Judgment was reserved when hearing of a claim for the return of deposit and damages for alleged breach of contract arising out of a transaction for German carbon black, concluded before the Supreme Court this morning. Mr Justice Reece.

Plaintiffs were the Wing Yip Hong, merchants, of 83 Connaught Road Central and they were represented by Mr Patrick Yu, instructed by Messrs Hastings and Company.

Defendants were the United Trade Developments Ltd, merchants, of 1 Duddell Street. Appearing for them was Mr Oswald V. Cheung, instructed by Mr P. L. Lam.

Plaintiffs claimed for the return of \$30,755 deposit paid by them to the defendants, for loss of profit or difference between the contract and market prices of five metric tons of "Meteo" carbon black at 10 cents per lb, amounting to \$1,102.50, and for damages for breach of contract.

The last witness this morning was Lai Chu-sek, Secretary of defendant Company who said that in November, 1951, he received invoices and bills of lading concerning the goods and had a letter sent to the plaintiff Company on November 27.

Two days later Man Po-hon came to see him. He showed him that the goods were the same as the sample sent by the same manufacturers and asked him for payment. Man told him that he would have to consult other people as the capital put up for the goods was not his alone.

Lai said that in August, 1951, the wholesale price of spot carbon black "Meteo" was about \$17.50 a pound. At that time that was the price for any German carbon black because "Meteo" brand was little known in the market. The price remained about the same for over two months, then, in December, 1951, it fell heavily.

At the beginning of December it was about \$8 a pound and on December 22 after the ship had arrived it fell to \$5 because there were no buyers. By the end of December it had fallen to almost the \$4 level, at the end of January, 1952, it was about \$3 and at the end of February it was some \$2 a pound.

Counsel said that there was no substance whatsoever in the plaintiffs' claim that they had suffered damage by reason of defendants' alleged failure to deliver the goods.

He asked the Court to reject in full all any evidence that the price was \$6.50 at the end of December, 1951. He said that the reason why the goods were rejected was because of the sharp drop in price and that this alleged failure on the part of defendants to perform their contract was an excuse for plaintiffs to get out of their lawful obligation.

Counsel asked the Court, for these reasons, to dismiss the claim.

In reply, Mr Yu said that his learned friend tried to prove that the goods tendered to plaintiffs were in fact the same as those contracted for. Mr Cheung had tried to show in the first place by quoting surveyors' reports and documents of title.

NO PROOF AT LAW

Mr Yu said that his first point in answer was that there was no proof at all at law. They were not concerned with what the shippers did, nor with the Captain's opinion as to what the goods were.

Counsel asked the Court to say that the plaintiffs did not rely on the description "Meteo" carbon black; that they did not rely on the brand name because the brand was hardly known to them; and that what they wanted to buy was all German carbon black fetched the same price in the market.

The parcels are made available by the generous donations of the American Catholic Welfare Committee and money collected in Hongkong by Catholic Action members.

SUBMISSIONS

In his final submissions, Mr Cheung asked the Court to look at the surrounding circumstances in August, 1951, when the contract was made. At that time the evidence was that "Meteo" carbon black had just begun to come into the Colony and that it was little known.

The evidence was that all German carbon black fetched the same price in the market.

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After commenting on the surveyors' reports, Mr Yu asked that the goods were described in the shipping documents and shipped as carbon black "Meteo". It was also undisputed that the goods were made by the manufacturers of carbon black "Meteo" and of exactly the same quality and kind as carbon black "Meteo".

He further asked why, if it was not intended that "Meteo" was not to be purchased, was the name inserted in the contract at all.

It was plaintiffs' case that defendants had failed to perform their contract.

Following further submissions, Mr Yu asked the Court to give judgment to the plaintiffs.

Dagger Found In Man's House

Plaintiffs' case that defendants had failed to give the police officer to go to the defendant's residence with a search warrant to investigate another matter, not concerning defendants. During the search the dagger was found.

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Living Language

Why we say Arms akimbo.

The word "akimbo" is interesting as it is nowdays only used to describe the position of the arms when the hands are rested on the hips. The word is used in no other context. Its origin is doubtful for it may have come either from the Italian "ghembo", crooked, or from two Icelandic words, "kengr" and "boginn", which together means a crooked stick.

Mechanised Junks Exhibition

Mail Notices

The latest times of posting shown below are those for unregistered airmail correspondence at G.P.O., Hongkong. The latest posting times elsewhere which is general, are earlier than the ones given, can be ascertained by enquiry at the local offices.

The latest posting times for registered articles are generally earlier than those shown below. Particulars regarding parcel mails can be ascertained by enquiry at any post office.

Chinese New Year Arrangements

On Saturday, February 14, 1953, all Post Offices will be closed. The Post Office private box lobby will be open for all business. There will be no delivery and no collection from posting boxes.

On Sunday, February 15, 1953, all Post Offices will be closed. The Post Office private box lobby will be open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. One collection will be made from posting boxes.

ACTIVE POLICY

Mr Sprague further said that it had been the active policy of Government to encourage the adoption of more efficient methods of fishing generally with a view to procuring larger supplies of fish and a reduction in cost to the consuming public.

He said: "The Fisheries Division of the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry is charged with the responsibility of implementing that policy and I do not need to remind you of the enthusiasm and sympathetic interest which they have shown in so doing."

Among the guests were Mr J. Carter, Director of Marketing and Acting Director of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, Mr. C. E. W. Harrison, United Kingdom Trade Commissioner, in Hongkong, Mr. T. R. G. Fletcher, Canadian Trade Commissioner in Hongkong, Marketing and Marine Officials.

On view were marine engines and equipment for junk mechanisation.

The exhibition, chiefly put on for the benefit of the Colony's fisherfolk, will continue until next Monday.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Why don't you answer a few of his questions? I don't want him to think I'm the dumbest guy in the world before he gets to the eighth grade!"